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In Reply Refer To: GM 274E

September 16, 2013

Ms. Judy Archer
Walter Oil & gas Corporation
1100 Louisiana
Suite 200
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Ms. Archer:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. N-09732
Type Initial Exploration Plan
Received July 5, 2013, amended July 23 and 30, and August 13, 2013
Lease(s) OCS-G 34242, Block 352, East Cameron Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of September 13, 2013, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.233(b) (1).

This approval includes the activities proposed for Subsea Well A.

Drilling permits cannot be issued for the proposed wells until concurrence with your coastal zone management consistency certification has been received by this office from the Texas General Land Office or until concurrence with the certification has been conclusively presumed.

You must comply with the following species protective measures in all activities conducted pursuant to the plan:

- Joint Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2012-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at <<http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx>>);
- Joint NTL No. 2012-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" (available at <<http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx>>); and
- NTL No. 2012-BSEE-G01, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at <<http://www.bsee.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Lessees/2012/2012-BSEE-G01-pdf.aspx>>).

These measures are designed to promote environmental protection, consistent environmental policy, compliance with environmental laws, and safety.

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide (H₂S) classification, the area in which the proposed drilling operations are to be conducted is hereby classified, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.490(c), as "H₂S absent."

Exercise caution while drilling due to indications of shallow gas.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Karen Dunlap at (504)736-2535.

Sincerely,

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